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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of
Pierre Mourier, et al.

Examiner: Ware, Deborah K

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TELEFAX CERTIFICATETitle: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING
SPECIFIC GROUPS CONSTITUTING
HEPARINS OR LOW MOLECULAR
WEIGHT HEPARINS**I hereby certify that this correspondence is being
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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**Response to Restriction/Election Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. § 121**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, dated, March 21, 2006, having a response due by April 21, 2006 in the above-identified patent application. Also enclosed herewith is a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting one-month extension of time, and thus this submission is considered filed timely as it is filed by May 21, 2006. It is respectfully requested that the following provisional election, and the remarks be entered in this case.

PROVISIONAL ELECTION:

Applicants provisionally elect with traverse the invention Group I, claims 1-12 drawn to a method for analyzing heparins.